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of first and second bone segments, said bone staple comprising, as considered in one orientation; a first downwardly extending staple

lea (12; 52; 64; 74; 90) for securely penetrating said first bone segment and having an upper and a lower end region; a second downwardly extending staple leg (14; 54; 68; 76; 92) for securely penetrating said second bore segment and having an upper and a lower end region; and a securing means for adjustably and compressibly coupling said first and second staple legs together and for lockably positioning said staple legs a selected distance apart from one another, said securing means comprising a first elongate member (16; 62; 72; 94) extending at an angle from the upper end region of the first staple leg (12; 52; 64; 74; 90) in a direction towards the second staple leg (14; 54; 68; 76; 92) and said securing means also comprising a second elongate member (18; 66; 96) having an upper wall portion, a bottom wall portion and enclosing side wall portions to define an elongate guide in which the first elongate member (16; 62; 72; 94) extends, characterised in the securing means is ratchet means, the first elongate member (16; 62; 72; 94) having a substantially smooth upper surface and having a surface comprising a plurality of spaced downwardly extending ratchet teeth, the ratchet means further comprising an elongate ratchet member (22; 102, 104) fixedly secured relative to the guide and having a portion within the guide, that portion having a plurality of upwardly extending spaced ratchet teeth (28) such that the wall portions of the guide encompass the engagement of the ratchet teeth (28) of the ratchet member (22) and of the first elongate member (16; 62; 72; 94) to provide a shield to prevent fouling of the area of ratchet engagement. (Dwg.1/13) Abstract (Equivalent): US 4852558 A The bone staple for compressibly sustaining joinder of first and second bone segments comprises a first downwardly extending elongated staple leg having an upper end and a lower end for securely penetrating first bone segment. A second downwardly extending elongated staple has an upper end and a lower end for securely penetrating the second bone segment. A ratchet adjustably and compressibly coupled the and second staple legs together and lockably positions the staple a selected distance apart from one another. The ratchet comprises a first elongated member having a relatively smooth upper surface and lower surface and extending at an angle from the upper end of the staple leg. The first elongated member has spaced downwardly extending

ratchet teeth on the lower surface of the first elongated .

ADVANTAGE - Ease of locking position of staple.

Title Terms: COMPRESS; BONE; STAPLE; FIRST; SECOND; LEG; SLIDE; ADJUST; RATCHET; MECHANISM; COUPLE; LOCK; LEG; APART

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